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## Dear Counsel:

We are writing regarding Defendant NorthWestern Corporation's Responses and Objections to Plaintiffs' First Request for Document Production, dated October 27, 2006 (the "Responses & Objections"). We note that you have acknowledged, without prejudice to your objections, your obligation to produce documents responsive to the requests numbered 1, 2, 5, 7, 9-11, 13-15, 18, 19, 21-25, 27 and 31. However, you have to date not actually produced any documents, nor have you given any indication of when you intend to do so. In an email sent to plaintiff's counsel John Brewer on October 18, you indicated that your contemplated schedule for a rolling production would be forthcoming shortly. Over two weeks have gone by since then. Please provide us immediately with dates certain on which you will commit to commence and complete the production of these documents. Absent such a firm commitment to dates reasonably acceptable to plaintiff, you will be in default of your obligations under the Federal Rules. We assume you will provide a satisfactory privilege log no later than the date on which you complete production.

We also note your "General Objection" to producing documents created on or after the date of NorthWestern's chapter 11 filing. It is not entirely clear to us whether you nonetheless intend to produce otherwise responsive documents created subsequent Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP

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to this date subject to the objection, or whether you are instead refusing to produce any such documents. If the latter, this position is unacceptable. The key transaction at issue occurred less than a year prior to the chapter 11 filing, and there is no reason to think that NorthWestern personnel suddenly ceased to generate any records evidencing their understanding and recollection of the relevant facts and circumstances on the day of the bankruptcy. Frankly, while it is not uncommon for a *beginning* cut-off date to be used for document productions, we are aware of no authority for an *ending* cut-off date to be unilaterally imposed.

Moreover, as to almost half of plaintiff's requests (numbers 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 16, 17, 20, 26, 28-30, 32), it appears that you are refusing to produce any responsive documents. Your boilerplate objections to these requests are both substantively groundless and, just as importantly, contrary to Judge Farnan's prior rulings. For example, this is a fraudulent conveyance action in which plaintiffs allege that NorthWestern acquired valuable assets from Clark Fork without providing adequate consideration for those assets. Your contention that documents showing the value of the assets NorthWestern acquired from Clark Fork (request number 3) and the value of any consideration provided to Clark Fork in return for those assets (request number 4) are "neither relevant nor reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence" is thus specious on its face. Likewise, your refusal to produce any documents responsive to more than a dozen requests "that could be obtained from third parties" is contrary to law. NorthWestern is the defendant in this action, and cannot refuse to produce relevant documents in its own possession. Whatever limited right third parties served with Rule 45 subpoenas might have to resist the production of documents that could be obtained from the parties to the litigation, there is absolutely no legal ground for a party to the litigation to seek to shift the burden of discovery in the other direction. We should note that we assume that you are not taking the position that NorthWestern's 100%-owned subsidiary Clark Fork is a "third party" whose documents are not within NorthWestern's possession or control. If that assumption is incorrect, please let us know immediately.

In any event, your blunderbuss burden and relevance objections have already been raised and have already been rejected. Judge Farnan had the full text of our document requests in front of him when ruling on your motion for protective order. In his memorandum decision and order denying the motion, he expressly found that "Defendant has not demonstrated that it will suffer any annoyance embarrassment or oppression if it complies with [the] pending discovery requests." He further held that "Defendant has not overcome Plaintiffs' contention that the information sought in its discovery requests is relevant and necessary." Without prejudice to the binding force of Judge Farnan's ruling, if you have a reasonable good faith proposal to narrow the scope of a particular request, combined with a willingness to produce documents responsive to the request as so narrowed, we will be willing to consider it. Your current position,

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however, is both untenable and unacceptable.

Please provide us no later than November 7, with (i) dates certain for your production to be commenced and completed (ii) a satisfactory response to the other issues raised in this letter, or else we will have no alternative but to seek appropriate relief compelling full and timely compliance with our document requests, including costs.

Counsel is available by phone should you wish to discuss.

Sincerely,

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